

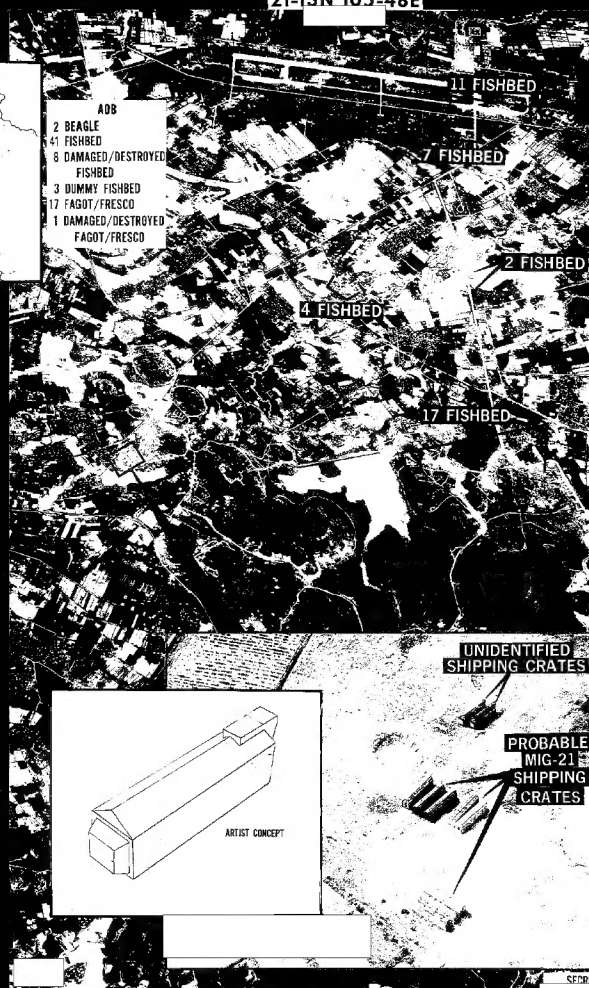
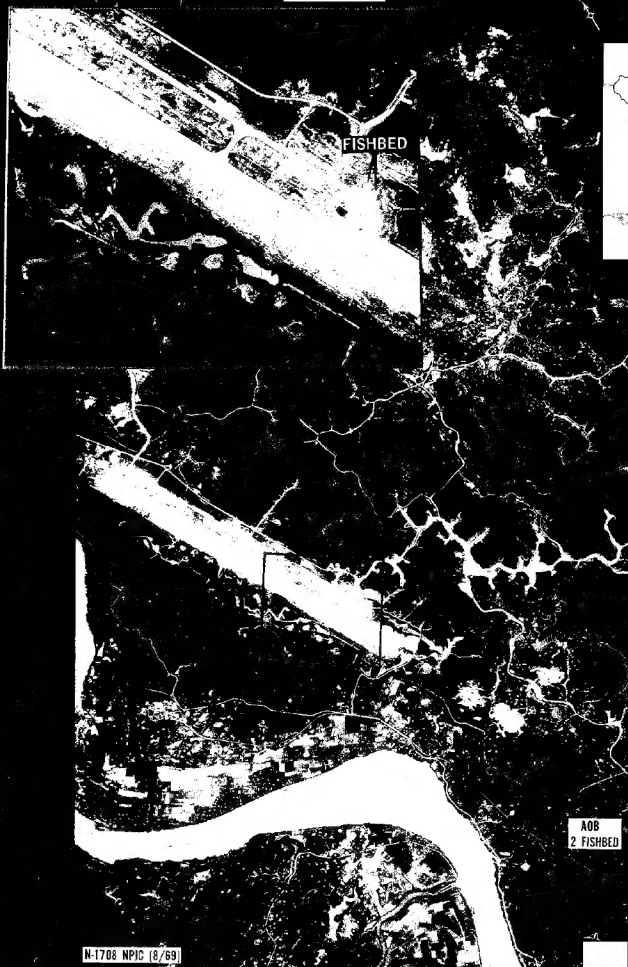
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AIR ORDER OF BATTLE ACTIVITY AND UNIDENTIFIED CRATES, NORTH VIETNAM

YEN BAI AIRFIELD
21-44N 104-52E

PHUC YEN AIRFIELD
21-13N 105-48E



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YEN BAI AND PHUC YEN AIRFIELDS, NORTH VIETNAM
2144N 10452E AND 2113N 10548E

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1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS THE FIRST OBSERVATION OF AIRCRAFT AT YEN BAI AIRFIELD, INCREASED INVENTORY OF FISHBED AT PHUC YEN AIRFIELD, AND UNIDENTIFIED SHIPPING CRATES AT PHUC YEN AIRFIELD.

2. LOCATION:

YEN BAI AIRFIELD LOCATED 1.7 NM NW OF YEN BAI. PHUC YEN AIRFIELD LOCATED 11.0 NM NNW OF HANOI. UNIDENTIFIED CRATES LOCATED 3.0 NM NNW OF PHUC YEN AIRFIELD.

3. BACKGROUND:

YEN BAI AIRFIELD HAS BEEN UNDER CONSTRUCTION SINCE 1965 AND SERVICE-ABLE SINCE [] PHUC YEN FISHBED INVENTORY HAD A PREVIOUS HIGH COUNT OF 35 FISHBED ON []

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4. MISSION READOUT:

PHOTOGRAPHY OF GS 169, 28 JULY 1969, REVEALS TWO FISHBED AIRCRAFT AT YEN BAI AIRFIELD (FIGURE 1). THIS IS THE FIRST OBSERVATION OF AIRCRAFT AT YEN BAI.

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THE SAME MISSION REVEALS AN INCREASE IN THE FISHBED AOB INVENTORY AT PHUC YEN AIRFIELD. TWO BEAGLE (IL-28), 41 FISHBED (MIG-21, FIGURE 2), EIGHT DAMAGED/DESTROYED FISHBED, THREE DUMMY FISHBED, 17 FAGOT/FRESCO (MIG-15/17) AND ONE DAMAGED/DESTROYED FAGOT/FRESCO ARE OBSERVED. THIS REPRESENTS AN INCREASE OF SIX FISHBED AIRCRAFT AT PHUC YEN AND IS THE HIGHEST NUMBER EVER OBSERVED. OF ADDITIONAL INTEREST ARE TWO UNIDENTIFIED SHIPPING CRATES FIRST OBSERVED ON [REDACTED] (INSET 1, FIGURE 2) AND SUBSEQUENTLY IMAGED ON [REDACTED] THE TWO UNIDENTIFIED CRATES ARE COLOCATED WITH EIGHT PROBABLE FISHBED SHIPPING CRATES. THE TWO CRATES

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